

ALMONT PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING

MARCH 28, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Peltier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present included Chairperson Gary D. Peltier; Vice-Chairperson Wes Wagester; Treasurer Oliver Turner; Member Cindee Cimaroli; Member Roach (arrived 7:24 p.m.); and Member Rick Tobias. Members absent included Member Cyrdeman; Secretary Hoffner; and Member Paula Alfonsi. Guests present included 11 high school students.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Wagester, supported by Tobias, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve the consent agenda, as corrected to revise the percentage figure of park rental fees collected .

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2013

Moved by Wagester, supported by Tobias, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve the special meeting minutes of March 11, 2013, as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS – KITCHEN RENOVATION

Chairperson Peltier informed the Board that renovations to the kitchen had been completed by the Morian family and that invoices for expenses from both the Morian family and RCI Electric would be forthcoming.

OLD BUSINESS – CLINTON RIVER CLEAN-UP

Chairperson Peltier informed the Board that he and Village Manager Turner met with the Clinton River Watershed Council on Friday March 20, 2013 at the wooded debris piled in the Clinton River by the M-53 bridge and that a clean-up had been scheduled for May 9, 2013 after 5:00 p.m. Discussion was held regarding the clean-up and the need to cover affected property owners under the Village's liability insurance policy.

NEW BUSINESS – ICE RINK TEAR DOWN

Chairperson Peltier informed the Board that the Almont DPW was prepared to assist in the tear down of the ice rink on Wednesday April 3, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Peltier also informed the Board that the project had exceeded the originally approved amount of \$4,000 by about \$25.

Moved by Wagester, supported by Tobias, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to appropriate an additional \$25 for the ice rink project.

NEW BUSINESS – PASSPORT GRANT APPLICATION

Chairperson Peltier thanked the Almont Village Council and Almont Township Board of Trustees for unanimously supporting the efforts of the Board to apply for a recreation passport grant and informed the Board the State would determine its award status by December.

NEW BUSINESS – MUSIC IN THE PARK

Chairperson Peltier informed the Board that he had booked acts for every scheduled Music In the Park event and that efforts were being made by his self and Member Cimaroli to solicit donors for each event. Discussion was held regarding the total cost of all the acts booked for the events [\$2,575]; the possibility of obtaining grant funding to support the concerts; and the use of a Bounce House for the children's event at the end of the series.

NEW BUSINESS - WEBSITE CONTENT

The Board held discussion as to what contents should be included on the Park website.

NEW BUSINESS – APPROVAL OF DNR SIGN PURCHASE

The Board held discussion regarding the purchase of a DNR-approved grant recognition sign that is required to be displayed for the State funds used to pay for the walking trail. Discussion was also held as to why the State only selects one company to print the signs and as to why the signs cost so much.

Moved by Turner, supported by Roach, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve up to \$250 to be used for the purchase of a DNR-approved grant recognition sign.

NEW BUSINESS – POPCORN MACHINE

The Board held discussion about selling the popcorn machine to a Village employee.

Moved by Wagester, supported by Tobias, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to sell the popcorn machine to Village employee Roy Campau at a cost of \$25 and for the proceeds to be used for Park purposes.

The Board thereafter held additional discussion about the Clinton River clean-up.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Oliver Turner
Treasurer
Acting Secretary